

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
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FUNCTIONS OF CSIR AND ICAR  
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**Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the CSIR and the ICAR are the departments of Science and Technology ;
- (b) if so, the functions of these departments in rural areas ;
- (c) whether Ghutgoria fishing hook centre under the district of Bankura in West Bengal falls under the jurisdiction of these departments;
- (d) if so, the funds allocated to the centre and the audited report of it;
- (e) whether VAT will be imposed on Ghutgoria fishing hook co-operative or it will be imposed only on those fishing companies which are run by the big business houses; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) Yes sir, while Council of Scientific and Industrial Research(CSIR) is a department under the Ministry of Science and Technology, Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) comes under the Ministry of Agriculture.
- (b) Besides carrying out research work, CSIR laboratories are also developing technologies useful for rural areas which are (i) Food and agro-based and in the areas of (ii) Building and construction, (iii) Drinking water, (iv) Environment & sanitation, (v) Cultivation and processing of economic plants, (vi) Cottage & small scale industries and (vii) Information technology.
- (c) No sir.
- (d),(e)&(f) : Question does not arise.